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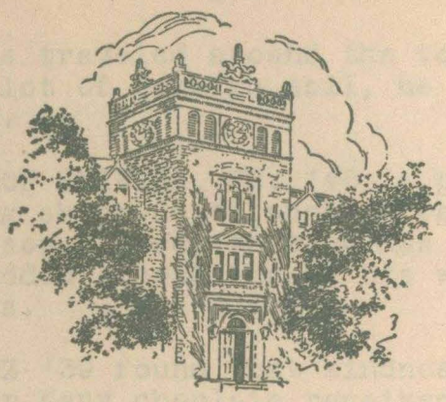

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Dear Mules:

Time again for another chat with you about your College, your friends and classmates, and items of general interest to Muhlenberg men the world over. We have quite a bit of news this time, so here goes.

The sound of shoes striking pigskin and the grunt of struggling bodies will soon become a part of the sounds on the campus, for on August 19, the football squad will begin practice. Drills will be held twice daily in preparation for the schedule which the Graduate Manager, Guerney Afflerbach '16 has arranged for the Mules. Coach Floyd Schwartzwalder assisted by "Hoss" Lough and "Bud" Barker will put a 45 man squad through their paces in an effort to mould a fighting team which will bring credit to Muhlenberg. I know that many of you will soon be among the civilian ranks and can probably get back to Allentown to see some of the games, so, I am including the schedule here in order that you may select the dates for those games which you will want to see.

Sept. 28	Lafayette	Away
Oct. 5	Albright	Home
Oct. 12	Bucknell	Away
Oct. 19	Swarthmore	Home
Oct. 26	Franklin & Marshall	Home
Nov. 2	Lehigh	Away
Nov. 9	Gettysburg	Away
Nov. 16	Moravian	Home
Nov. 23	Delaware	Away

JOHN W. BRADFORD V-46 is stationed at the Naval Air Station, Anacostia, D.C. He is one of a group of 47 cadets who left Muhlenberg in June and reported for duty and further training. CARL J. KLEIN, a member of that same group, is now at the Naval Air Station, Norfolk.

CHAPLAIN JOHN M. BELLAN '18 finished his tour of active duty as a transport chaplain in May and went on terminal leave. However, he was recalled to active duty and is now located at 2nd Army Headquarters, Baltimore, Md.

ENSIGN EDMUND A. TANGUAY V-44 has gone back into the Navy and has an application pending for transfer to the Supply Corps of the regular Navy. Ed had extensive minesweeping experience in Japanese and Chinese waters, and after helping to decommission his ship, went on terminal leave. He hopes for another minesweeper for his next ship.

BERT LEVINSTONE '42 is stationed at the Veterans Hospital, Lyons, N.J. He is a medical resident and is very happy over the fact that his post is only thirty miles from his home. Bert recently announced his engagement to Miss Mildred Rothfield, of Hillside, N.J. He also reports that his classmate, AL WEISS '42 is in a similar setup in Canandiaqus, N.Y.

WILMER CRESSMAN '42 came through with a letter after a month's silence which is quite unusual for Cressman. He and his wife are now comfortably quartered in an apartment in Norfolk, where between decommissioning his ship and the Municipal Golf Course, his time is well occupied. Wil's application for a regular commission has been approved by the selection board in Washington and he is

awaiting orders. He has traveled around the world by water and although he has seen a lot of foreign soil, he wouldn't trade a piece of it for God's country.

CORPORAL WATSON SKINNER, JR. '46 is presently stationed in Amarillo, Texas awaiting shipment to another base, as his station is being deactivated. Watson figures that he has another LONG nine months to go, but the added attraction of his wife's company will help him over the rough spots.

MARK H. FRANTZ '39 found that kindness paid off well recently when the former Navy chaplain received a free room and $100 from an anonymous donor. Mark, who is working for his doctorate at Columbia University, had applied to the Housing Registry for a low or moderately priced room, and admitted that since last January, he had used a large part of his earnings to put two homeless boys through college. The donor awarded him the room and the money with which to furnish it to his liking. He entered the Navy in 1943 and served in Burma, where he was injured by shraphel. Upon his release from service, he assumed the post of chaplain at the Ohio State Penitentary, recently giving up his work there in order to resume his college training.

FRANK C. DIEFENDERFER, JR. '40 has resumed his practice of dentistry after serving in the Army Dental Corps for 46 months. DR. JEREMIAH H. SILFIES '39, recently discharged from the service with the rank of captain, has become a father and will open his practice of dentistry in Allentown. Dr. Silfies made the news while stationed in France when he was called to the bedside of a young Alsatian girl about to give birth to a child. Together with an Army doctor, they delivered a baby girl with the aid of only a flashlight for light.

BOB HALDEMAN '44 has been separated from the Navy and plans to attend college next month. Bob, who starred in football and track at Muhlenberg before entering the Navy, served for more than two years in the Pacific aboard LST's and APA's.

CAPTAIN DONALD Z. RHOADS '31 has been separated from the Army Medical Corps. CAPTAIN CARL B. HEFFNER '30 left the Chemical Warfare Service in February, 1946. DON BIERY '31 who served as a Sergeant in the Service of Supply, European Theater, was discharged in February and is back in Allentown.

CLARENCE G. TROXELL V-44 finished his tour of duty aboard the USS Cleveland and, after a well earned vacation, has accepted a position as an electrical engineer with a firm in Newark. BOB JOHNSON'S '45 last letter gave us the news that he was headed for Great Lakes for release to active duty and further plans to enter business with his father.

Here are a few more of the recent discharges that have come to my desk since the last letter. CHAPLAIN WILLIAM F. PFEIFER '36, now pastor in Leechburg, Pa.; GEORGE R. FILE '44, out of the Navy and back in Elkins Park, Pa.; DR. A. ALLEN DANYS '42 who has left the Navy for the practice of dentistry and dental surgery in Newton Centre, Mass.; CAPTAIN CLARENCE L. SCHAERTEL '21 who has returned to his church in Gloversville, N.Y.; 2ND LIEUTENANT DONALD T. CLARK '44 who has laid aside his Marine uniform to don civies in Franklin Square, L.I., N.Y.; ROSS M. GERNERD '45 who left the Navy during the last part of 1945 and is now at Medical school; FRANK W. FUGALE '45 who will return to Duke University in the fall; ROGER W. LACHMAN '36 back in East Greenville after a tour with the Army Air Forces; LEONARD C. HODGKINSON '36 who, after an Army career, has resumed his teaching and coaching job in Montrose, N.Y.; JOSEPH A. BERGNER '44 who has been commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve and expects to attend Villanova in the fall; JACK GOURLEY '45, who terminated his Naval career last month and is back in Pittsburgh.

I've come to the end of the stencil, so I must say so long until the next letter. Keep your letters coming and we'll keep you informed.

As ever,

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